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THE SSF MONTHLY REPORT ON HIGH-RISK COUNTRIES

Summary of alerts – Countries to monitor – Calendar

Focal points in September

South Africa	Several mass shootings across the country. Anti-immigration protests fuelling tensions.
Ethiopia	Renewed fighting in the north (Tigray) between federal and Tigrayan forces; conflict spread to Afar and Amhara 24/09; an explosion in Addis Ababa 1/10.
Persian Gulf	Terrorism investigation launched following the diversion of a flight from Dubai to Tel Aviv, which made an emergency landing in Tabuk (Saudi Arabia). The Houthis claim to have taken control of Yemen's Red Sea coastline and the Bab el-Mandeb Strait 11/09. Houthi strikes targeting Riyadh 19 & 26/09
Iraq	International coalition against the Islamic State completed its withdrawal 30/09 amid instability at both national and regional levels.
Pakistan / Afghanistan	Further attacks in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa: on police compounds in Kohat (16 dead 18/09) and Dera Ismail Khan (11 dead 26/09). Border clashes with the Afghan Taliban (Gulistan sector), air strikes in southern and eastern Afghanistan 23 & 24/09.
Ukraine	Intensification of Russian air strikes across the whole country , day/night, including Kyiv (deadly strikes 8, 23 & 28/09, followed by massive attack on the capital's electricity grid and that of several regions 30/09), with 2,100 jet-powered drones and 136 missiles launched in the first 3 weeks of the month, resulting in 288 fatalities.



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Decline

- Saudi Arabia
- Ethiopia

Improvement

- Venezuela

- Ethiopia

- Kenya (Manda and Lamu Islands)

Countries to monitor in October



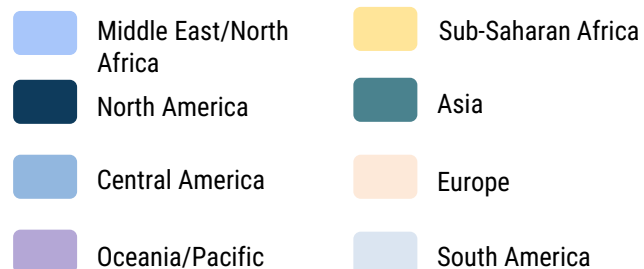
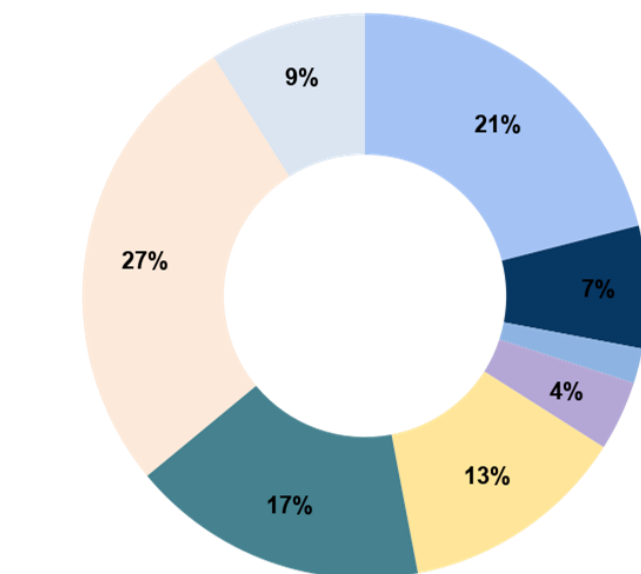
Brazil	4 October: general elections – Large gatherings should be expected, the risk of the results being contested should not be ruled out, given the precedent set in January 2023.
Pakistan	4 October: protest march in Islamabad led by the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) in demand of the release of former Prime Minister Imran Khan – Increased security and disruption to be expected.
Bosnia - Herzegovina	4 October: general elections – Tension and rallies should not be ruled out, notably in Sarajevo.
Israel	5 to 7 October: 3rd anniversary of the Hamas attack (2023), with remembrance ceremonies for the victims of the Nova Festival massacre – Security stepped up, large turnout, risk of demonstrations and tension.
Serbia	25 October: snap legislative elections – Rallies and tension should be expected, notably in Belgrade.
Israel	27 October: legislative elections – Increased national security – rallies and tension should be expected.

Summary of alerts

+ 1,034 alerts
+ 74 classified critical or urgent

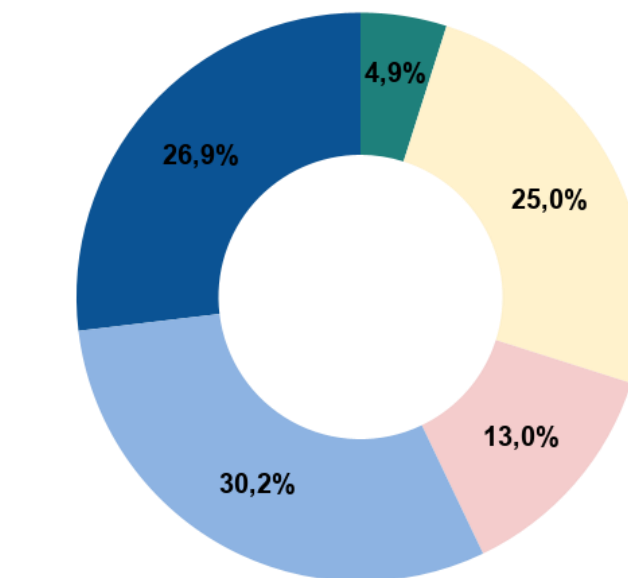
In September 2026, SSF issued a total of **1,034 safety-security alerts** concerning all kinds of risks in order to inform its customers of the latest events likely to have an impact on their interests and the safety or security of their employees throughout the world. The alerts covered **139 countries**.

Geographic Distribution



74 of the alerts were classified as either **critical** or **urgent**, which specifically activate our **24-hour Security Operations Centre (SOC)**, notably with regards to **Poland** (derailment of a passenger train between Lublin and Szczecin 9/09).

Type of Risk



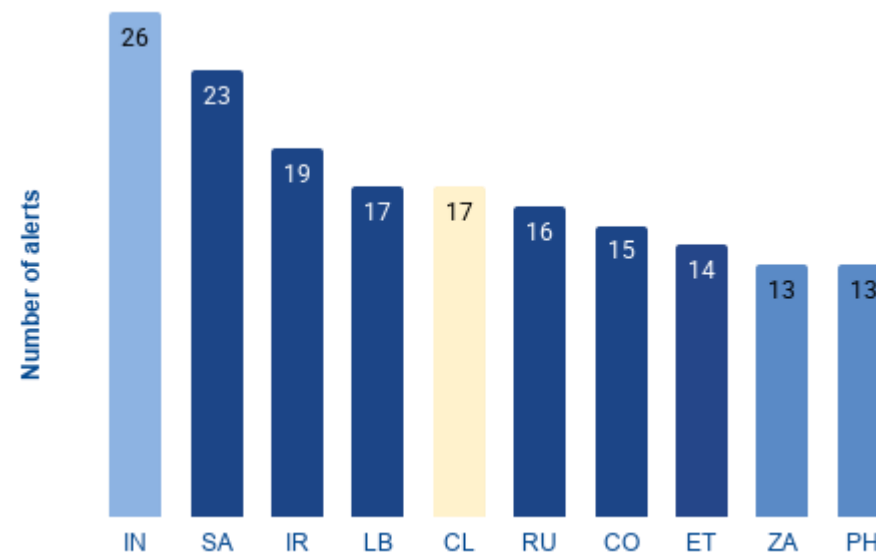
10 countries to monitor



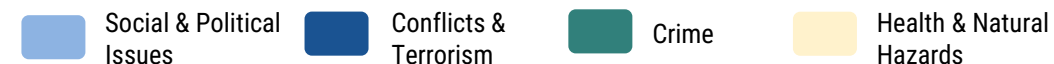
The countries that accounted for the highest number of alerts sent by SSF in September 2026 are **India, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Lebanon, Chile, Russia, Colombia, Ethiopia, South Africa** and the **Philippines**.

In total, these 10 countries generated **173 safety–security alerts**, representing **17%** of all the alerts sent over the last month.

Countries engaged in long-term warfare or with extremely high levels of insecurity in general (Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, Yemen, Somalia, Sudan and Ukraine) have been deliberately excluded from the list.



Number of alerts issued in September 2026 and main risk factor according to country



South Africa

Several mass shootings across the country, with at least 38 people killed in a week. **Gauteng**: 18 people killed and 15 injured in a bar in Wedela, when 8 armed men opened fire on customers (26/09). 3 suspects in a cash-in-transit robbery killed by police on the R80, near Pretoria (28/09). 8 women's bodies discovered since July not far from the R21, followed by protests in Kempton Park (14, 16–17/09) – **Western Cape**: 10 dead and 11 injured in a shooting at a venue in Lwandle, near Cape Town (27/09) – **KwaZulu-Natal**: 11 dead and 3 injured after 3 armed men stormed a house in KwaMakhutha, south of Durban (22/09). Clashes between anti-immigration activists and 400 refugees in Durban; 3 injured and one arrested (3/09) – **National anti-immigration rally** called by March and March: deadline set for the departure of undocumented migrants (30/09) – **Extortion targeting businesses run by foreigners on the rise**; 112 cases recorded between April and June (18/09) – **Bad weather**: SAWS orange alerts for violent thunderstorms and flooding in the North-West, the Free State, the Northern Cape, Gauteng and Mpumalanga (6, 19/09).

Saudi Arabia

Escalation of conflict with the Houthis: missile and drone attacks on national territory, repeated air raid alerts, and a tougher US and UK travel advice (16, 22/09) – **Southwest**: 73 people injured in strikes on Abha, Khamis Mushait, Jazan and Najran; fires and disruption at energy sites (8–9/09); Aramco facilities hit in Jazan (7/09) and targeted in Yanbu (16/09). 13 people injured in Khamis Mushait, Abha and Taif (14/09). Attacks claimed against the King Khalid bases in Khamis Mushait (14, 16/09) and Sharurah, Najran (13/09). 2 people injured in Al Tuwal, Jizan (12/09). Air raid alerts in Najran, Khamis Mushait and Abha (22, 26/09) – **Mecca Province/west**: one dead and two injured in Taif due to falling debris from an intercepted drone (17/09). First air raid alerts over Mecca; drones and six missiles intercepted (15, 22, 24/09) – **Riyadh**: two explosions following a night-time air raid alert in Riyadh and Al-Kharj; one missile intercepted; major disruption at King Khalid Airport (19/09). Two drones intercepted (26/09) – **East-West oil pipeline**: closure of the Abqaiq–Yanbu section following a drone attack from Iraq, several people injured (10–11/09), operations resumed at reduced capacity (22/09) – **Tabuk**: terrorism investigation launched following the diversion of a Dubai–Tel Aviv flight; captain seriously injured by a knife attack from the co-pilot; others injured (30/09).

Chile

Bad weather in the south-central region: alerts issued in Araucanía, Los Ríos, Los Lagos and Biobío following flooding; at least 9,444 people left isolated, 772 homes damaged, 5,441 people without electricity and five main roads cut off; evacuations in Pucón, Curarrehue, Loncoche and Carahue (24–25/09) – **Santiago**: clashes during commemorations of the 53rd anniversary of the coup; at least 37 arrests; Molotov cocktails; metro stations closed for the

memorial march (6/09); and more than 284 arrests nationwide, including 31 minors, during a second demonstration (11/09). Clashes on the fringes of an anti-government student demonstration, 4 arrests (3/09). Fires at an industrial warehouse in the city centre (15/09)) and a large block of flats (7/09), disrupting traffic – **Araucanía**: fire at a care home in Pitrufrquén, at least 16 dead, 10 people rescued (11/09) – **Nuble**: fire at a hotel in Nevados de Chillán; 150 people rehoused (6/09).

Colombia

Increase in attacks by explosive drones targeting security forces, attributed to the ELN and FARC dissidents – **Norte de Santander**: drone attack on a garrison in Ocaña, 2 soldiers killed (4/09). Power cut in Cúcuta following a fire at a substation (16/09) – **Meta**: two IED attacks in La Macarena and Vistahermosa, 3 soldiers killed (21/09) – **Cauca and Nariño**: drone attack on a checkpoint in Tunía, at least 10 injured, Popayán–Cali Pan-American Highway cut off (29/09). Explosion targeting army on the Pan-American Highway at Puerto Remolino; 1 soldier killed, 2 injured (7/09). Clashes in El Peñol (4/09). Orange alert maintained for Puracé volcano (2/09) – **Magdalena**: militarisation of Santa Marta following a 48-hour armed blockade by the Autodefensas Conquistadoras de la Sierra Nevada, shots fired at shops and vehicles set alight, following operation; 13 of its members killed (21–22/09). Explosive device detonated on railway line in Aracataca (26/09) – **Chocó**: police stations attacked by drones in Condoto and Nóvita; 1 police officer injured (29–30/09) – **Valle del Cauca**: Civil Aviation radar station targeted by drones in Candelaria (16/09) – **Arauca**: Betoyes police station in Tame destroyed (14/09) – **Boyacá**: fire at Cerro San Marcos, Villa de Leyva, 76 people evacuated (19–22/09).

Ethiopia

Deteriorating security situation; renewed armed conflict in the north following announcement of a coalition of 7 armed rebel groups, including the TPLF, the Amhara Fano militias and the OLA, aiming to overthrow the federal government (20/09) – **Tigray**: Tigrayan forces seized regional airports at Mekele, Axum and Shire, and Ethiopian Airlines flights suspended (23–24/09). Federal army claimed 272 enemy fighters killed and 260 wounded (24/09), followed by recapture of Alamata (28/09). Drone strikes on a residential area near Freweyni, at least 3 dead (8/09), and on Tigray TV premises in Mekele (27/09), following suspension of broadcaster (21/09). Almost total disruption of telecommunications (25–28/09). Around 750,000 displaced – **Afar**: fighting around Abala, Erebtí and Yalo; control of Abala contested; routes to Mekele and Semera cut off (23–25/09) – **Amhara**: Woldiya surrounded by Fano militias supported by Tigrayan forces (23/09). Fighting near Lalibela; flights suspended (24/09) – **Central Ethiopia**: at least 16 civilians killed and around 20 women and children abducted for ransom in Walda, Gurage (14/09) – **Gambella**: at least 12 dead and 88 injured in clashes in Itang (18/09) – **Oromia**: threats from OLA against mining companies (14/09) following a deadly attack on Tulu Kapi gold mine; operations suspended (4/09) – **Somali Region**: threats against foreign nationals in the Doolo area (16/09).

India

Congress Party's national protest against the head of the electoral commission (25, 28/09): clashes in New Delhi, barriers breached at Jantar Mantar and arrests; water cannons deployed in Chandigarh and Patna (15, 25/09) – **Bad weather**: Uttar Pradesh, at least 56 dead and 1,000 homes damaged (25–27/09) following 5 previous deaths due to the monsoon (3–4/09); Ganges in spate in Bihar; 95 roads cut off in Himachal Pradesh (3–4/09). Heavy rain in the east; red alert along the coasts of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha; schools closed (10–12, 23–24/09). Alerts in Gujarat (14–25/09) – **Delhi**: collapse of a student accommodation block in Satya Niketan, at least 5 dead (6/09). Oxygen cylinder explodes in Okhla, 1 dead, 4 injured (9/09) – **Rajasthan**: explosion at a chemical factory in Jodhpur, 14 firefighters injured (23/09) – **Punjab**: NH-44 blocked for over 15 hours by students in Phagwara; police officers injured; mobile internet suspended (27–28/09). Indefinite public bus strike (22/09) – **Madhya Pradesh**: clashes during demolition of a mosque in Ujjain; 1 police officer injured (28/09) – **Uttar Pradesh**: clashes during interception of a convoy in Shahabpur (13/09) – **Tripura**: 72-hour strike blocking Assam–Agartala road and railway line (4–7/09) – **Manipur**: 24-hour general strike (1/09).

Iran

Gulf conflict: strikes continue, Strait of Hormuz disrupted, reopening subject to conditions set by Tehran (27/09) – **US strikes in the south**: at least 13 dead and 12 injured in Khuzestan and Hormozgan, including at weddings in Kuhestak and Sirik (1–2/09). Explosions in Bandar Abbas, Qeshm, Konarak and Chabahar; Jiroft airport targeted (1/09). 3 Iranian oil tankers destroyed (5/09), followed by a further five (8/09). Explosions in Kharg and Jask (5, 8–9/09) – **Iran claimed responsibility for retaliatory strike**: missiles fired at the Azraq base in Jordan, 18 projectiles intercepted (9/09). Attacks on US bases in Jordan, Iraq, Bahrain and the UAE (2/09). Six vessels struck in the Gulf (5/09) – **Strait of Hormuz**: 1 dead and 3 injured in a strike on a commercial vessel off the coast of Qeshm (13/09). 2 oil tankers catch fire after hitting mines (2/09). 2 sailors killed on the Sidr oil tanker (31/08) – **Sistan-Baluchistan**: clashes in Saravan, 5 attackers and 1 IRGC killed; at least 13 members of the security forces killed according to local sources (23/09); 3 IRGC members and 5 attackers killed (12/09) – **Kurdish provinces**: general strike, 2 shopkeepers arrested in Sanandaj (16/09) – **Transport**: ban on Iranian airlines in UAE (24/09). 3 border crossings closed by Iraq following strikes against Saudi infrastructure (12/09).

Lebanon

Ongoing Israeli strikes and operations in the south despite ceasefire; June framework agreement has stalled – **Nabatiyeh Governorate**: 11 dead, including 2 rescue workers in Kfar Remmane, struck without prior warning to evacuate (7/09), Israeli army seized Ali Taher Ridge (3/09), followed by the destruction of a Hezbollah tunnel network, which triggered a 4.1-magnitude earthquake (10/09). Israeli tanks advance on Lebanese army at Deir Mimas (18/09). 1 Lebanese soldier and 3 civilians wounded by a drone strike in Nabatiyé al-Fawqa (30/09).

– **South Governorate**: large-scale Israeli demolition operation in Mansouri, in the occupied border strip (28/09) – **Beirut**: clashes between investors and security forces outside the Beirut Bank; tyres set alight in Riad el-Solh Square (17/09). Several people injured in a shooting near a café in the Kola neighbourhood (20/09) – **Social protests**: rally by pensioners and roadblocks in Beirut (9/09), public sector strike (23–24/09), national road transport strike against fuel price rises (30/09).

Philippines

Armed violence in Mindanao surrounding the first parliamentary elections in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region (14/09) – **Cotabato**: 3 dead and 15 injured in a shootout between MILF factions outside a polling station; 1 dead in an explosion near another polling station (13/09). 6 BIFF members killed during a joint military-police operation in Tugunan; 350 villagers evacuated (19/09). 2 pupils killed by a classmate, who then took his own life, at a secondary school in Banga (South Cotabato); the third school shooting since June (18/09) – **Palawan Province**: fire on the MV June Aster ferry off the coast of Coron: at least 5 dead and 87 missing out of 134 people on board (9/09) – **South China Sea**: Philippine government vessel rammed by the Chinese coastguard near Ayungin Reef, off the coast of Palawan (18/09) – **Manila**: clashes, no injuries, between Bayan activists and police outside an economic forum attended by F. Marcos Jr. in Taguig (10/09). Unfounded bomb threat and evacuation of Far Eastern University (23/09) – **Sarangani**: 5.2-magnitude earthquake 92 km south of Sarangani (Mindanao), no damage reported (22/09) – **Bad weather**: heavy rain over Luzon and the Visayas due to Tropical Depression Pilandok (1–3/09), and Typhoon Queenie off the coast of Batanes (26–27/09).

Russia

Escalation of Ukrainian drone attacks on Russia, notably during ballot – **Legislative elections**: United Russia retains its constitutional majority with around 355 seats out of 450, with only pro-war parties having been permitted to stand (18–20/09). Cyberattacks on Moscow's e-voting platform (19/09) – **Moscow**: at least 2 dead, a refinery facility damaged, 400 people evacuated and more than 30 flights diverted in a massive attack (20/09), 350 drones detected heading towards the capital as polling began (18/09) – **Krasnodar Krai**: 8 civilians injured on the Sochi harbour promenade following an attack by aerial and maritime drones (10/09), strike against the Ilsky refinery (26/09) – **Perm and Rostov**: refineries in Perm and Novoshakhtinsk hit (25/09) – **Kursk Oblast**: drone spotted on a cooling tower at the nuclear power station, with no impact on operations (17/09) – **Tensions with Germany**: reciprocal closures of diplomatic missions, including the German Consulate in St Petersburg and the Goethe Institutes (7/09) – **Accidents**: 10 dead in a fire at a fireworks factory in the Yaroslavl region (28/09), 6 dead when a strategic bomber crashed in the Amur region (29/09), 4 dead in a fire at a shopping centre in Sterlitamak (22/09).



Events to look out for in October

Regional Calendar

Africa



1 to 2 October

Senegal: healthcare workers' strike – Disruption to non-emergency services at public hospitals, rallies should not be ruled out, notably in Dakar.

1 to 15 October

Nigeria: strike in the steel, manufacturing and construction sectors – Disruption to industrial activity to be expected.

1 October

Cameroon: 9th anniversary of the declaration of independence of the “Republic of Ambazonia” by the English-speaking separatists (2017) – Security reinforcements and attacks should not be ruled out.

Nigeria: Independence Day (1960) – Celebrations should be expected.

2 October

Guinea: Independence Day (1958) – Security reinforcements and disruption likely.

4 October

Lesotho: Independence Day (1966).

Mozambique: anniversary of the end of the Civil War (1977-1992).

7 October

South Africa: nationwide general strike over unemployment, retrenchments and the cost of living – Marches and pickets across all nine provinces, disruption to business and transport to be expected.

9 October

Uganda: 64th anniversary of independence (1962) – Security reinforcements to be expected.

11 October

South Africa: anniversary of the start of the Second Boer War (1899).

12 October

Equatorial Guinea: National Day (1968) – Ceremonies likely in Malabo.

14 October

Somalia: 9th anniversary of the truck bombing that killed more than 500 people in Mogadishu (2017).

15 October

Burkina Faso: 39th anniversary of the assassination of President Thomas Sankara (1987).

24 October

Zambia: 62nd anniversary of independence (1964) – Ceremonies likely in Lusaka.

25 October

Sudan: 5th anniversary of the military coup by General al-Burhan (2021) – Demonstrations should not be ruled out, despite the current conflict.

The Americas



1 October

Chile: nationwide student demonstrations against cuts to the public education budget – Increased security and disruption to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

Curaçao: LGBTQ+ pride march in Willemstad – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

United States: 9th anniversary of the Las Vegas shooting in which 58 people died (2017).

2 October onwards

Brazil: suspension of US embassy and consulate services over security concerns, and closure of the Australian embassy, two days before the first round of the presidential election – Security stepped up around the US embassy.

2 October

Brazil: televised debate in Rio de Janeiro between presidential candidate Flavio Bolsonaro and incumbent President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva – Rallies and tension should not be ruled out.

Mexico: anniversary of the massacre of students by soldiers on Plaza Tlatelolco in Mexico City (1968) – Commemorations likely, rallies scheduled in Mexico City.

United States: demonstration outside the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Washington, eight years after the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi (2018) – Localised disruption to be expected.

4 October

Brazil: presidential and legislative elections – Nationwide security reinforcements, rallies and tension to be expected.

Peru: municipal and regional elections – Rallies to be expected, notably in Lima.

5 October

Canada: provincial general election in Quebec – Localised disruption in Montreal and across the province.

8 October

Argentina: trade union demonstration in central Buenos Aires over industrial policy and falling employment – Localised disruption to be expected.

Ecuador: call for nationwide protests – Increased security and disruption to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

9 October

Cuba: anniversary of the death of Che Guevara, executed in 1967 by the Bolivian Special Forces supported by the CIA – Ceremonies should be expected, notably in the capital.

Ecuador: Guayaquil Independence Day (1820).

10 October

Bolivia: Democracy Day – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

11 October

United States: 48th Chicago Marathon – Localised disruption should be expected.

12 to 17 October

Bolivia: anniversary of the crackdown on the El Alto riots (2003) – Commemorations and demonstrations to be expected.

12 October

Americas: Hispanic Day or “Race Day” (Dia de la Raza) – Demonstrations likely.

13 October

Peru: anniversary of the conviction of Abimael Guzman, leader of the Shining Path (2006).

16 October

United States: 31st anniversary of the Million Man March on Washington by nearly two million African Americans led by the Nation of Islam organisation (1995).

17 October

Bolivia: 23rd anniversary of the anti-government demonstrations known as “Black October” (2003) – Commemorations and rallies likely.

United States: nationwide day of electoral mobilisation organised by the No Kings coalition ahead of the midterm elections – Rallies and disruption to be expected.

19 October

Canada: non-binding vote in Alberta on possible separation from Canada – Rallies should not be ruled out in Edmonton.

25 October

Brazil: second round of the presidential election – Nationwide security reinforcements, rallies and tension to be expected.

26 October

Canada: opening in Vancouver of the trial brought by fifteen young people against the Canadian state over climate inaction – Support rallies and media presence to be expected.

27 October to 4 November

Bahamas: visit by King Charles III and Queen Camilla to the Caribbean – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

27 October

Argentina: anniversary of the death of former President Nestor Carlos Kirchner (2010).

St. Vincent and the Grenadines: 47th anniversary of independence (1979).

United States: 8th anniversary of the shooting at a synagogue, in which 11 people were killed in Pittsburgh, the worst anti-Semitic attack in US history (2018) – Commemorations and rallies should not be ruled out.

31 October

United States: 9th anniversary of the car-ramming attack in New York, in which 8 people were killed (2017) – Commemorations likely.

Asia - Pacific

1 to 8 October

China: National Day – Festivities and disruption should be expected throughout Golden Week.

1 October

Hong Kong (SAR-China): pro-democracy demonstrations should not be ruled out on the fringes of the 77th anniversary of the People's Republic of China (1949).

Indonesia: 21st anniversary of three suicide bombings that targeted two tourist resorts on the island of Bali (2005) – Commemorations to be expected.

2 to 4 October

Japan: Motorcycling: MotoGP World Championship, Japanese Grand Prix at the Motegi circuit – Large turnout and road disruption to be expected.

Malaysia: Motor racing: Formula 1 World Championship, Bahrain Grand Prix relocated to the Sepang circuit – Large turnout and disruption to be expected.

2 October

India: national demonstrations, demanding the resignation of the Chief Election Commissioner – Increased security and disruption to be expected.

3 October

Bangladesh: port workers' demonstration in Chattogram – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

Malaysia: bank employees' union rally outside the Prime Minister's Office in Putrajaya – Localised disruption to be expected.

South Korea: People Power Party protest in Seoul against President Lee Jae Myung's policies – Increased security and traffic disruption to be expected.

4 October

Australia: anti-immigration demonstration in Darwin – Counter-demonstrations possible, increased security and localised disruption to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

Pakistan: protest march in Islamabad called by Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) demanding the release of former Prime Minister Imran Khan – Increased security and disruption to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

5 to 8 October

Fiji – Tuvalu: pre-COP31 in Nadi, including a leaders' event on 5 and 6 October, gathering first in Tuvalu then for the Pre-COP Leaders' Plenary in Fiji – Increased security and a large turnout to be expected.

6 October

Thailand: anniversary of the bloody crackdown on the uprising by students at Thammasat University in Bangkok (1976) – Commemorations and demonstrations likely.

7 October

Afghanistan: 25th anniversary of the start of international intervention in the country in 2001 – Increased risk of attacks.

Turkmenistan: meeting of the foreign ministers of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) in Turkmenbashi.

9 October

Turkmenistan: summit of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) in Turkmenbashi, attended by Russian President Vladimir Putin – Security stepped up significantly.



10 October

China: anniversary of the creation of the Republic of China (1912).

Fiji: Independence Day, obtained from the UK in 1970.

North Korea: annual celebration of the founding of the national Communist Party (1945) – Ceremonies and parades to be expected in Pyongyang.

Taiwan: National Day and anniversary of the Empire being overthrown in 1911.

12 to 18 October

Thailand: annual meetings of the IMF and the World Bank at the Queen Sirikit National Convention Center in Bangkok – Security stepped up significantly, disruption to be expected.

12 October

Indonesia: anniversary of the Bali bombings (2002).

Pakistan: 27th anniversary of the 1999 coup.

13 October

Thailand: anniversary of the death of King Bhumibol Adulyadej (2016) – Commemorations to be expected, notably in Bangkok, Chiang Mai, Hat Yai and Phuket.

15 October

Thailand: meeting of G20 finance ministers and central bank governors in Bangkok.

19 October

China: 91st anniversary of the end of the Long March (1935).

20 October

Bangladesh – India – Nepal: Hindu celebrations of Dussehra (Vijayadashami) – Festivities and gatherings to be expected.

23 October

Thailand: Chulalongkorn Day in commemoration of King Rama V – Celebrations likely, notably in Bangkok, Chiang Mai, Hat Yai and Phuket.

25 October

Thailand: anniversary of the “Tak Bai Incident” (2004) – Rallies possible.

26 to 29 October

China: fifth plenary session of the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee in Beijing – Increased security to be expected in the capital.

29 October

Cambodia: anniversary of the coronation of Prince Norodom Sihamoni following the abdication of his father, King Norodom Sihanuk (2004).

31 October

India: anniversary of the assassination of Indira Gandhi (1984).

Europe



Until 4 October

Germany: 191st Oktoberfest in Munich (since 19 September) – Disruption and increased security to be expected.

1 to 2 October

France: strike called by easyJet France pilots – Air traffic disruption to be expected.

1 to 3 October

Spain: 9th anniversary of the referendum on Catalan independence (2017) – Demonstrations expected.

1 October

Austria: demonstration in Vienna against the ban on Islamic headscarves for girls under 14 in schools – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected, confrontations should not be ruled out.

Cyprus: 66th anniversary of Independence Day (1960) – Disruption should be expected on the fringes of a large military parade in Nicosia.

Germany: 80th anniversary of the Nuremberg trial verdict (1946) – Commemorations to be expected.

Germany: demonstrations in Münster against the awarding of the International Westphalian Peace Prize to NATO – Increased security and disruption to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

Greece: nationwide public sector strike called by ADEDY – Disruption to schools, hospitals and public administration, rallies and isolated scuffles should not be ruled out.

Ireland: student demonstration in Dublin demanding the abolition of student union amid cost-of-living pressures – Traffic disruption and a heightened police presence to be expected.

Kosovo: demonstration in Pristina against the war crimes conviction of four Kosovo Liberation Army members – Increased security and disruption to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

2 to 3 October

Monaco: state visit by Italian President Sergio Mattarella – Increased security to be expected.

2 to 4 October

Finland: Helsinki Security Forum – Increased security to be expected in the capital.

2 to 6 October

Portugal: easyJet cabin crew strike – Air traffic disruption to be expected.

2 October

Finland: visit by Moldovan President Maia Sandu – Increased security to be expected in Helsinki.

Italy: nationwide general strike across the public and private sectors called by CSLE, joined by FI-SI – Transport and public service disruption to be expected, rallies should not be ruled out

3 and 4 October

Serbia: student rallies in Novi Pazar then Belgrade ahead of the 25 October legislative elections – Large turnout expected, increased security and localised disruption to be expected, scuffles should not be ruled out.

3 October

France: Pride march in Paris – Increased security and traffic disruption to be expected.

France: international anti-pesticide mobilisation in Saint-Pierre-la-Garenne, Eure – Localised disruption to be expected.

Germany: anniversary of the unification of Germany in 1990 (Wiedervereinigung) – Demonstration against armament and war in Berlin.

Germany: demonstration against antisemitism in Munich – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

Latvia: legislative elections.

4 to 7 October

United Kingdom: Conservative Party annual conference in Birmingham – Protests and increased security to be expected.

4 October

Bosnia and Herzegovina: general elections – Tension and rallies should not be ruled out, notably in Sarajevo.

5 October

Portugal: Republic Day (1910).

Serbia: 26th anniversary of the fall of former Serb President Slobodan Milosevic (2000).

United Kingdom: 58th anniversary of the violent crackdown on the Catholic protest march in Londonderry, Northern Ireland (1968) and 52nd anniversary of the IRA Guildford pub bombings (1974) – Commemorations and rallies likely.

United Kingdom: opening in London of the trial of three Iranians accused of espionage.

6 October

France: mass national school and student demonstration over education conditions, backed by unions – Ongoing blockades of schools and universities to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

7 October

Germany: 77th anniversary of the creation of the German Democratic Republic (GDR) (1949).

Russia: 20th anniversary of the assassination of journalist Anna Politkovskaya in Moscow (2006) – Commemorations and rallies should not be ruled out.

8 October

United Kingdom: by-election in London to replace Keir Starmer as MP.

9 to 10 October

France: first round of the Socialist and Democratic left primary.

9 October

Belgium: day of action by trade unions against the De Wever government's budget austerity policy – Demonstration in Brussels and disruption to be expected.

United Kingdom: pro-Palestinian march in central London – Increased security and disruption to be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

11 to 13 October

Germany: World Health Summit (WHS 2026) in Berlin.

11 October

Slovenia: "super referendum day" on the contested reform of parliamentary inquiry rules, and three consultative referendums – Rallies and tension to be expected.

12 October

Spain: National Day – Nationalist demonstrations and disruption likely.

13 to 16 October

Russia: “Russian Energy Week” international forum in Moscow.

13 October

Germany: debate in Berlin on the expropriation of large property groups between the head of Vonovia and the leader of the radical left party – Rallies should not be ruled out.

United Kingdom: 101st birthday of former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher (1925) – Commemorations should be expected.

14 October

Ukraine: anniversary of the creation of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army (UPA) in 1942 – Far-right demonstrations should not be ruled out.

15 October

Belgium: European Union summit in Brussels – Increased security and demonstrations to be expected.

16 to 17 October

France: second round of the Socialist and Democratic left primary in Paris.

16 October

France: 6th anniversary of the attack on teacher Samuel Paty in Conflans-Sainte-Honorine, Île-de-France (2020) – Commemorations and rallies to be expected.

18 October

Azerbaijan: Day of Restoration of Independence (1991) – Disruption should be expected.

19 to 30 October

Armenia: COP17 on biological diversity in Yerevan – Security stepped up significantly, environmental mobilisation to be expected.

23 October

Hungary: anniversary of the 1956 uprising – Celebrations likely.

25 October

Bulgaria: presidential election – Rallies and localised disruption to be expected.

Serbia: snap legislative elections – Rallies and tension to be expected, notably in Belgrade.

Spain: 47th anniversary of the creation of Catalonia’s status as an “autonomous community” via a referendum (1979) – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

26 October

Austria: National Day celebrating the passing of the law on Austria’s neutrality in 1955.

27 October

Russia: Gas Exporting Countries Forum (GECF) summit in Moscow – Increased security to be expected.

28 October

Czechia: anniversary of independence obtained from the Austro-Hungarian Empire in 1918 – Celebrations likely.



Middle East – North Africa

1 October

Iraq: 7th anniversary of the popular uprising against the government (2019) – Anti-government demonstrations likely, notably in Baghdad and in the southern governorates.

Tunisia: 41st anniversary of the Israeli raid on the headquarters of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, PLO (1985).

2 October

Morocco: pro-Palestinian demonstration against normalisation with Israel in Rabat – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

Tunisia: court hearing on a request to dissolve Al Khatt, the association that publishes the independent media outlet Inkyfada – Rallies in support should not be ruled out.

3 October

Lebanon: 2nd anniversary of Israel's assassination of Hashem Safieddine, presumed successor to Hassan Nasrallah, leader of the Hezbollah group (2024) – Increased security, risk of demonstrations and tensions.

5 to 7 October

Israel: 3rd anniversary of the Hamas attack (2023), with remembrance ceremonies for the victims of the Nova Festival massacre, notably at the memorial in the Re'im car park, Southern District – Security stepped up, large turnout, risk of demonstrations and tension.

5 October

Algeria: 38th anniversary of the events of October 1988 – Rallies likely, notably in Béjaïa.

Iraq: further hearing in Baghdad in the trial of six French jihadists accused of terrorism.

6 October

Egypt: anniversary of the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar El-Sadat (1981).

9 October

Egypt: anniversary of the crackdown on Copt demonstrations in Cairo, known as the "Maspero Massacre" (2011) – Commemorations possible.

10 October

Türkiye: 11th anniversary of the twin suicide bombings, which claimed over 100 lives in Ankara (2015).

20 October

Libya: 15th anniversary of the death of Muammar Gaddafi (2011).

23 October

Libya: 15th anniversary of the national liberation (2011).

26 October

Israel/Jordan: anniversary of the signing of the Israel–Jordan peace treaty (1994).

27 October

Israel: legislative elections – Increased national security – rallies and tension should be expected.

29 October

Türkiye: anniversary of the founding of the republic in 1923 – Security stepped up, demonstrations should not be ruled out.

31 October

Egypt: 11th anniversary of the Russian plane crash in the Sinai, claimed by the Islamic State (IS) group, in which 224 people died (2015).

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